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PATENT APPLICATION

THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of
Minoru USUI, et al.

Docket No: Q77369

Appln. No.: 10/662,397

Group Art Unit: 2856

Confirmation No.: 1476

Examiner: Andre JACKSON

Filed: September 16, 2003

For: LIQUID CONSUMPTION STATUS DETECTING METHOD, LIQUID CONTAINER, AND INK
CARTRIDGE

EXCESS CLAIM FEE PAYMENT LETTER

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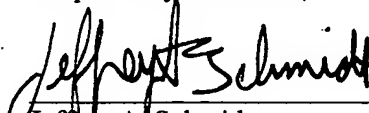
Sir:

An Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 is attached hereto for concurrent filing in the above-identified application. The resulting excess claim fee has been calculated as shown below:

| | After Amendment | | Highest No. Previously Paid For | | | | | | |
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A check for the statutory fee of \$150.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,


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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 8, 2005—the period for response having been extended to November 8, 2005 by an appropriate petition and check filed herewith—please amend the above-identified application as follows on the accompanying pages.

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